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STUDENT GOVERNMENT ASSOCIATION SENATE LEGISLATION

Number Standing Rule 91S-653

- Whereas: The University of North Florida Student Government Association is lacking proper procedures and rules to guide the conduct of Senators in matters concerning potential Conflict-of -Interest situations, and
- Whereas: The image Student Government Association projects to the student body is harmed by perceptions of unethical conduct, whether any such conduct exists or not, and
- Whereas: The Bylaws of the Student Government of the University of North Florida do not provide clear guidelines for mandatory voting abstentions, and
- Whereas: The Senate is in need of clearly defined guidelines regarding voting abstentions:

Therefore, Let it be resolved that the following standing rules are held as proper procedure and order for Student Government Association's University of North Florida Senators:

- (1): A Senator MUST abstain from voting on Senate legislation if the legislation names a club and/or organization, other than Student Government Association, of which the Senator is a member and/or officer, and
- (2): A Senator SHALL NOT draft Senate legislation which names a club and/or organization, other than Student Government Association, in which that Senator is a member and/or officer, and
- (3): A Senator MUST abstain from voting on any legislation if he/she will directly benefit from the passage of that legislation excluding ONLY legislation which is intended for the functioning of the Student Government Association itself.

There was an amendment to strike "explicit administrative" from item (3) and to add item (4) which is to read as follows:

- (4): Prior to the participation in the question and debate periods, any Senator who will, by adoption of this legislation, be required to abstain on said piece of legislation, shall announce the fact that an abstention is pending.

Respectfully Submitted, Amendment passes by unanimous consent

Senators Chuck Cuthbertson and Gary Greenberg

Introduced by _____

Board or Committee

SENATE ACTION 18:0:1

Date July 26, 1991

Be it known that Standing Rule 91S-653 is hereby passed/vetoed on

this 2 day of August, 1991.

Trina Jennings

Signature _____

Student Body President

STANDING RULE 91S-653 con't Division of the House vote:

Greg Belew- for
Rosita Bernal-for (proxy)
Chuck Cuthbertson-for
Frederick Francisco-for (proxy)
Gary Greenberg-for
Teresa Hankel-for
Tomica Lindsey-for
Erin Mitchell-for
Sean Nelson-for
Stacy Potts-for (proxy)
Pamela Raagas-for
John Rosso-for
Mohammed Siddiq-for
Scott Swain-for
Aileen Tormon-for
Anthony Williams-abstain
Scott Woodruff-for (proxy)
Canetha Trussell-for
Carl Heilmann-for

result: 18:0:1